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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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This is a Provisional request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to additionally extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application to and including Notice to File Missing Parts dated January 18, 2002.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$200.00.
 A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 13-2490. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

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